proposal for Darjeeling hilly areas of West Bengal under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) has been received.

(b) Does not arise.

(c)As per the PMGSY Programe guidelines, roads are covered by a 5-year maintenance contracts, to be entered into alongwith the construction contract, with the same contractor. Funds for maintenance of the PMGSY roads are provided by the State Government.

Allocations under Swajaldhara Yojana

†1783. SHRI SAMAN PATHAK: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allotted for the year 2006-07 under Swajaldhara Yojana;

(b) whether priority has been given to the hilly areas, particularly hilly rural areas, under this Scheme; and

(c) to what extent the Scheme has been implemented in the hilly zone Darjeeling of West Bengal in the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) The amount allocated to all States under Swajaldhara Yojana for 2006-07 is given in the Statement (See below).

(b) Funds under Swajaldhara scheme are allocated to all States from the Centre as per the inter-State Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) allocation ratio fixed for the year, This ratio is worked out on the basis of the Rural Population, States under DDP, DRAP, HADP & special category hill States in terms of rural areas, Not Covered/ Partially Covered villages (at 2:1 ratio) and Quality affected villages.

(c) 33 schemes are reported to have been taken up in the Hilly zone of Darjeeling district.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Allocation under Swajaldhara during 2006-07

SI. No.	State/UT	Allocation
1	Andaman and Nicobar	20.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	2160.00
3	Arunachal Pradesh	449.00
4	Assam	755.00
5	Bihar	1830.00
6	Chandigarh	0.00
7	Chhattisgarh	645.00
8	D and N Haveli	13.00
9	Daman and Dieu	0.00
10	Delhi	10.00
11	Goa	25.00
12	Gujarat	1382.00
13	Haryana	448.00
14	Himachal Pradesh	1068.00
15	Jammu and Kashmir	2578.00
16	Jharkhand	715.00
17	Karnataka	1930.00
18	Kerala	687.00
19	Lakshadweep	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	1852.00
21	Maharashtra	3562.00
22	Manipur	154.00
23	Meghalaya	176.00
24	Mizoram	126.00
25	Nagaland	130.00

SI. No.	State/UT	Allocation
26	Orissa	1018.00
27	Pondicherry	10.00
28	Punjab	404.00
29	Rajasthan	2920.00
30	Sikkim	54.00
31	Tamil Nadu	1332.00
32	Tripura	156.00
33	Uttar Pradesh	3093.00
34	Uttaranchal	741.00
35	West Bengal	1557.00
	TOTAL :	32000.00

BT. Road in A.P. under Bharat Nirman Programme

1784. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for not releasing the necessary grants under Bharat Nirman Programme, to the most intensively Naxalite affected remote Agency areas of Thoguta, a mandal under Medak district of Andhra Pradesh for the most crucial and vital nine BT. connectivity roads, as represented by the Chairman, Agricultural Market Committee on 23rd August, 2006 to the Prime Minister;

(b) whether Government would release the necessary grants at the earliest, to develop these remote and backward areas; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRASEKHAR SAHU): (a)As per the report submitted by the State Government, the roads represented in Thoguta mandal leading to certain villages are not covered in the priority list of Naxal affected villages sanctioned under PMGSY.